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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks
Washington, D.C. 20231

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Dear Sir:

The present is further to the Office Action dated August 20, 2002. Please amend the application as follows.

IN THE DISCLOSURE

Please replace the text presently on file with the new enclosed pages 1 to 8. The background art has been amended to include relevant prior art. The disclosure of the invention has been replaced with a more accurate and precise summary. The description portion of the disclosure has been amended to be more descriptive.

An operation segment has been added to the disclosure to provide an overview and a better explanation of the working mechanism of the invention.

IN THE CLAIMS

Please find enclosed new pages 9 to 13 containing new claims 1 to 34 in replacement of the

pages 9 to 11 containing old claims 1 to 19 presently on file. The claims have been amended and rearranged to more accurately achieve the objectives of the invention.

IN THE ABSTRACT

Please replace the page 12 of the abstract presently on file with the enclosed new abstract page 14.

IN THE DRAWINGS

Please replace the figures 1c, 2, 3b, 7, 10, 12 with the enclosed pages containing amended figures 1c, 2, 3b, 7, 10, 12.

DISCUSSION

Basically, the application has been rewritten to improve its format and structure. However no new matter has been added. Some of the changes had been proposed in a request for a voluntary amendment filed on July 3, 2002. Because it is unclear whether these amendments have been entered, we again reiterate our request for amendment.

In view of the above, we respectfully submit that the application is now in order to be examined and allowed and so request.

Respectfully submitted,

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Encl. New pages 1 to 8 of the disclosure.

New claims pages 9 to 13

New page 14 of the Abstract.

New figures 1c, 2, 3b, 7, 10 and 12.

A marked-up version of old figures 1c, 2, 3b, 7, 10 and 12 with the proposed changes marked in red.

A marked-up version of the application, pages 1 to 20.

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